Rajyasevapravina M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar: I do not remember.

Mr. Kottur Kunjukrishna Pillai: In view of the Government circular that departmental officers are not entitled to make any declaration of policy on behalf of Government, will the Government be pleased to enquire into the matter?

Rajyasevapravina M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar: Government will look into it.

Construction of bridges and culverts in Central Travancore.

39. ***Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla** (*Mavelikara and Tiruvalla* cum *Pathanamthitta*): Will the Government be pleased to state why no attempts have been made to start the construction of bridges and culverts in the State especially in Central Travancore though provision has been made for them in the budget year after year.

Mr. I. C. Chacko (*Executive Engineer, Trivandrum, in charge of the duties of the Chief Engineer*): All works for which there is budget sanction and estimate provision are invariably taken up for execution during the year itself. But in some cases actual construction is delayed owing to unforeseen circumstances as change in design revision of estimate and delay in land acquisition

Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla: May I know whether the delay in the execution of works is due to in-efficiency of the subordinates.

Mr. I. C. Chacko: No, Sir.

Amount realised by text book writers and booksellers.

40. ***Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar** (*Parur Kunnatnad and Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to state the approximate amount realised by text book writers and booksellers per annum by the sale of text books in the State?

Rajyasevapravina M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar: Government have no information in the matter.

Ophthalmic Hospital, Trivandrum.

41. **Mr. James Fletcher**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Ophthalmic Hospital, Trivandrum, is manned by doctors who have special training in eye diseases;

(*b*) if there are doctors not so specialised, the names of such doctors and qualifications;

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